

AUCTIONING OF 833 NUMBERS

Ladies and Gentlemen,

We do not believe that auctioning the new 833 numbers is a good idea, especially with short notice for public comment. Our reasoning is that this places another intermediary between the buyer (the end user) and seller (the government) who will make large profits with small risks.

We certainly understand that there are cost to obtain these numbers and the government should have certain fees, but adding intermediaries it will again place start-ups / small businesses (job-creators) at a competitive disadvantage to larger large ones (who already receive countless corporate-welfare benefits, and do not create jobs).

In conclusion, these numbers are public property until distributed, and we do not understand why some are given government favor to "hoard" these assets for profit. In our opinion, it is a constraint of free trade, and is very detrimental to our middle-class and ultimately our freedom.

Thank you,

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